

MOST COSTLY OF JOURNALS PLUMLEY'S BIG FISH STORY

"Animated Newspaper" of French Moving Picture Shows Are Popular With the Patrons.

The "animated newspaper" issued by a French firm for display in moving picture establishments is said to be the most costly newspaper issued, from the standpoint of the subscriber, as one of these reels costs many dollars. These films are very popular with a certain class of patrons of the "movies." They are edited in much the same manner as the typical newspaper. A corps of operators is kept in constant touch with many sources of news. As soon as a promising tip reaches him, the editor sends one, two or as many men as he thinks necessary for the purpose. Frequently the three films are patched together to make one complete reel. Correspondents are maintained at different points, and these are assigned by telegraph to go to certain points where their services may be needed. Mine explosions and railroad accidents are regarded as particularly attractive features, and men are sent at once to these whenever they are reasonably accessible. Pictures of the debris and the work of removal are always objects of interest to patrons of the "movies."

NO DANGER IN MOUTHPIECES

Investigation Shows Communication of Tuberculosis by Use of Telephones Is Unlikely.

An investigation made in England to determine the possibility of the communication of tuberculosis through the use of telephones seems to show that such infection is practically impossible. The experiments were ordered by the postmaster general, who appointed Dr. H. Spitta of St. George's hospital, London, and bacteriologist to the king, to make the experiments.

A number of telephones, which had been in use in busy London offices for various periods, and had received no cleansing treatment other than that normally given such phones, were first tested. Washings were prepared from the mouthpieces and tests were made by the inoculation of guinea-pigs to ascertain whether tubercle bacilli were present. The mouthpieces were shown to be free from these bacilli.—Popular Mechanics.

TOO MUCH FOR THEM.

A northern man made a visit to the plantation of a southern colonel and was almost devoured the first night by mosquitoes. The next morning the northern man asked the colored butler about the mosquito plague. "Don't the mosquitoes bother the colonel?" he asked. "Not much, sah," the butler replied. "The fust part of the night the colonel am too drunk to feel mosquitoes, and the last part of the night they is too drunk to bother him."

MAKING ROOM.

Discussing the universal condemnation heaped upon Bruce Ismay and the White Star line over the Titanic disaster, a sea captain said in New York: "Bruce Ismay must now be remembering a speech he once made in Belfast, a speech about persecution, ending with the words: 'When a man's down his enemies stop kicking him—to let his friends begin.'"

EXCITEMENT.

Husband (cheerily)—Well, love, have you had a pleasant day?
Wife—Oh, splendid! After I dressed the children and got them off, washed the dishes and made some pies, cleared away the luncheon table and answered some letters, I still had time enough left to darn my stockings.—Harper's Bazar.

SIMPLE LIFE ALL "MOONSHINE."

"I stopped over here," said the tourist, "to enjoy the simple life."
"Hush," warned the Georgia moonshiner, "not so loud. Put your money on the stump yonder, an' turn yo' back an' shut yo' eyes. Quart or gallon, sir?"

A TALL ONE.

"Talking about tall girls, there was one passed our shop the other day," says the Herington Sun, "who was so tall that she stuck out two feet below her skirts. Why, she was so tall she couldn't walk under her own umbrella without bending."

Vermont Congressman Tells How He Recovered His Lost Watch and Double Eagle.

Fish stories are rife in May, and under the seductive influence of balmy spring new versions come to light of the same old stories we have heard since boyhood days. Congressman Plumley of Vermont, of portentously serious mien, asserted to a smiling group of colleagues that a couple of seasons ago he lost his watch and a \$20 gold piece overboard while waiting by a placid pool for a bite. The next year, he declared under oath, he caught a fish in that self-same pool—a "gold fish," of course—and he found within the fishy armor of that Vermont bass his watch, the \$20 gold piece and 30 cents accrued interest.

Fish Commissioner Bowers insists that this is another result of his labors to propagate thrifty habits among gold fish. He says that the monetary question has been so much discussed in Washington that it has affected the spawn sent out through the country, and if these fish stories continue he will not be responsible for results. As the party broke up it was agreed that Congressman Plumley deserved the plum of the fish-story season.—Joe Chapple's News Letter.

LEAVING IT TO HIM



Willie—What yer goin' ter name the baby?
Lulu—Goin' ter let him grow up and make er name for himself.

SCOTLAND'S ADVANTAGE.

At Belfast a football match was played between Ireland and Scotland. One of the home supporters, who was getting excited, kept shouting out:

"Sit on 'em, Ireland!"
An old Scotchman in the crowd, unable to stand it any longer, cried out:
"Ye might be able to sit on the leek, mon, and mebbe on the rose, but I tell ye, mon, ye canna sit on the thistle."

MATTER OVER MIND.

Little Florence had a very bad toothache and was crying softly to herself. Her aunt, who was a believer in Christian Science, went over to the little girl and said:

"If you have any faith, dear, you would have no toothache."
Florence continued to sob, but between sobs she replied:
"Well, Aunt Grace, if you had my toothache, you wouldn't have any faith."—Judge.

PRUDENCE.

"Have you ever written your memoirs?" asked the enterprising publisher. "No," replied Senator Sorghum. "And I'm not going to write them. When a man interviews himself there is no chance for him to cover a mistake by saying he was misquoted."

WHAT SHE WANTED.

Lady in Shoe Store—These shoes pinch terribly. Haven't you anything larger?

Salesman—You asked for number twos, madam. I can give you number threes or number fours, or—
Lady—The idea! I want something large in number twos.

CONSOLING THOUGHT.

He—Darling, I have lost my position.
She—Never mind, dear. Think of how small your salary was.

A PATIENT MAN.

"Do you make your wife an allowance?"
"I never cease making allowances for my wife."

Effect of One Bottle.

Grandall, Tex.—"After my last spell of sickness," writes Mrs. Belle Teal, of this city, "I remained very ill, and stayed in bed for eight weeks. I couldn't get up, all this time, and though my doctor came to see me every day, he didn't do me any good. I had taken but one bottle of Cardui, when I was up, going everywhere, and soon I was doing all my housework." Cardui helps when other medicines have failed, because it contains ingredients not found in any other medicine. Pure, safe, reliable, gentle-acting—Cardui is the ideal medicinal tonic for weak, sick women. Try it.

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RIDING THE SEVILLE BELLS

Primitive and Daring Way in Which Those of the Giralda Are Rung.

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When the city is to make merry on feast days the ringers climb to the belfry, and then, by the aid of a rope and steps cut in the wall of the tower, each mounts to the bell he is to ring and stands astride its brazen shoulders. Then he presses the bell with his feet, holding on to the cross-piece to which it is swung.

Gradually the great bell sways to the movement of the man astride it until it acquires a momentum that swings the hammer, first gently, and then with increasing force, as the sweep of the bell widens, until the air is trembling from the blows that strike the massive sides.

The riders bend and rise and fall with the action of the bells, now appearing to the observer from below to be in a horizontal position as the bell reaches the limits of its swing, and again riding gracefully to an upright position as the monster sways backward with another thundering note.

The most extraordinary part of the daring performance is the sight of the bell-ringer calmly swaying the bell while it hangs far out of the belfry over the city, for the outward swing sends the counterpoise with the ringer into space beyond the arch.—Youth's Companion.

SIMPLE WEDDING IN FAVOR

Quieter Ceremonies and Gatherings Are Much More Common Than Has Been the Rule.

The quiet wedding seems to be far more usual now. No longer is it considered an alarming symptom of eccentricity to be married without bridesmaids, best man, a churchful of spectators, red carpet, cabs, buttonholed cabmen flourishing be-ribboned whips, old jokes in the vestry weakened with tears, rice, volley of figgers, old boots and shoes and slippers, a parade of presents, breakfast, frock coat, orange blossom, satin, and so on.

Man has always quailed before such a catalogue, but woman appears to have revelled in it, but the general fashion for simplicity involves the simple wedding. The red carpet is following the seven-o'clock dinner and bridesmaids are joining the other ghosts of the past.

There are still, of course, many elaborate weddings, but they are not by any means so usual as they used to be—particularly among the middle classes. Even at the most "fashionable" churches the number of quiet weddings increases steadily. The typical wedding of the day is a little gathering of relatives.

GREAT SOUTHERN PROJECTS.

Projects to harness the streams of the south exceed in magnitude any similar enterprises in the world. New companies have been formed, with capital aggregating \$225,000,000 whose plans look to the ultimate development of over 1,500,000 horsepower. Financial interests in London, New York and Pittsburg control most of the sites for the development of water power. With southern streams turning the wheels of mills, running trains, and lighting cities, the south may in time wrest the industrial supremacy of the country from the east.

THE ORIENTAL DANCER.

Charles Frohman, at a dinner at the Metropolitan club in New York, condemned a certain outrageously immodest Oriental dancer. "She must have a nasty mind," Mr. Frohman said, "to dance like that." "Oh, don't be too hard on her," said a playwright. "She may not understand, you know. Consider how young she is." "I deny," said Mr. Frohman, "that she's as young as you imply; but I'm bound to admit that, even though not young, she's certainly a stripling."

UNLUCKY NUMBER.

The Visitor—Why are you here, my misguided friend?
The Prisoner—I'm the victim of the unlucky number 13.
The Visitor—Indeed; how's that?
The Prisoner—Twelve jurors and one judge.—Sporting Times.

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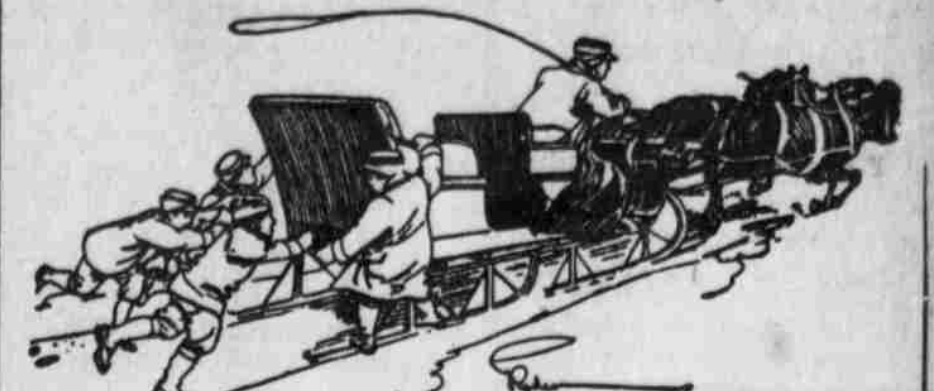
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